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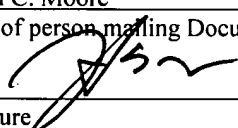
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| Re: | Application of:     | Soemo et al.  |
|     | Serial No.:         | 09/966,738  |
|     | Filed:              | September 28, 2001  |
|     | For:                | A Proprietary Protocol for a System<br>Controller for Controlling Device<br>Controllers on a Network Having an Open<br>Communication Protocol |
|     | Group Art Unit:     | 2142  |
|     | Examiner:           | Cheryl M. Reid  |
|     | Our Docket No.:     | 1867-0084   |
|     | Siemens Docket No.: | 2001P18038US  |

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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Sir:

In connection with the Office Action mailed January 14, 2005 in the above-entitled application, Applicants respectfully request a one (1) month extension in which to file a response, from April 14, 2005 to May 14, 2005. Because May 14, 2005 falls on a Saturday, this paper is filed on the following business day, Monday, May 16, 2005.

The \$120.00 fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) is submitted herewith. Also, please provide any further extensions of time which may be necessary and charge any fees which may be due to Deposit Account No. 13-0014, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'H. C. Moore', written over a horizontal line.

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